I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the U. S. Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated below and is

(MM/10) Date: March 2, 2004

addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

"Express Mail" Label No.: EL967585771US

Patent Application

Applicant(s)

Parida et al.

Docket No.:

YOR920030299US1

Serial No.:

10/661,322

Filing Date:

September 12, 2003

Group:

2171

Examiner:

Unassigned

Title:

**Discovering Permutation Patterns** 

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Signature:

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated December 9, 2003, hereby extending the period for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts from February 9, 2004 to March 9, 2004.

A copy of the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith. Please charge IBM Corporation's Deposit Account No. 50-0510 the amount of \$110.00, to cover the surcharge under 37 CFR §1.136(a). In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit Deposit Account No. 50-0510 as required to correct the error. Duplicate copies of this letter are enclosed.

Date: March 2, 2004

03/08/2004 BABRAHA1 00000151 500510 10661322

02 FC:1251

110.00 DA

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Mauri

Attorney for Applicant(s)

Reg. No. 41,180

Ryan, Mason & Lewis, LLP 1300 Post Road, Suite 205

Fairfield, CT 06824

(203) 255-6560